

any day on which the applicability of section 991 of title 10 to the member is suspended under subsection (d) of that section.

(Added Pub. L. 106-65, div. A, title V, §586(b), Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 638, §435; renumbered §436 and amended, Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div. A], title V, §574(c), title X, §1087(b)(4)], Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1654, 1654A-137, 1654A-292.)

AMENDMENTS

2000—Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div. A], title X, §1087(b)(4)], renumbered section 435 of this title as this section.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div. A], title V, §574(c)(1)], substituted “401 or more days out of the preceding 730 days” for “251 days or more out of the preceding 365 days”.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div. A], title V, §574(c)(2)], substituted “prescribed under paragraph (4)” for “prescribed under paragraph (3)”.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 106-65, div. A, title V, §586(d)(2), Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 639, provided that: “Section 435 [now 436] of title 37, United States Code (as added by subsection (b)) [this section], shall take effect on October 1, 2001.”

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 12503 of this title.

CHAPTER 9—LEAVE

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AMENDMENTS

1990—Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title XIV, §1484(f)(1), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1717, revised chapter heading so as to appear in all capital letters.

§ 501. Payments for unused accrued leave

(a) In this section, the term “discharge” means—

(1) in the case of an enlisted member, separation or release from active duty under honorable conditions, termination of an enlistment in conjunction with the commencement of a successive enlistment (without regard to the date of the expiration of the term of the enlistment being terminated), or appointment as an officer;

(2) in the case of an officer, separation or release from active duty under honorable conditions; and

(3) in the case of either an officer or an enlisted member, death while on active duty unless the decedent was put to death as lawful punishment for a crime or a military offense.

(b)(1) A member of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, or National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, who has accrued leave to his credit at the time of his discharge, is entitled to be paid in cash or by a check on the Treasurer of the United States for such leave on the basis of the basic pay to which he was entitled on the date of discharge.

(2) Payment may not be made under this subsection to a member who is discharged for the

purpose of accepting an appointment or a warrant in any uniformed service.

(3) Payment may not be made to a member for any leave he elects to have carried over to a new enlistment in any uniformed service on the day after the date of his discharge; but payment may be made to a member for any leave he elects not to carry over to a new enlistment. However, the number of days of leave for which payment is made may not exceed sixty, less the number of days for which payment was previously made under this section after February 9, 1976.

(4) A member to whom a payment may not be made under this subsection, or a member who reverts from officer to enlisted status, carries the accrued leave standing to his credit from the one status to the other within any uniformed service.

(5) The limitation in the second sentence of paragraph (3) and in subsection (f) shall not apply with respect to leave accrued—

(A) by a member of a reserve component while serving on active duty in support of a contingency operation;

(B) by a member of the armed forces in the Retired Reserve while serving on active duty in support of a contingency operation; or

(C) by a retired member of the Regular Army, Regular Navy, Regular Air Force, or Regular Marine Corps or a member of the Fleet Reserve or Fleet Marine Corps Reserve while the member is serving on active duty in support of a contingency operation.

(c) Unused accrued leave for which payment is made under subsection (b) is not considered as service for any purpose.

(d)(1) Payments for unused accrued leave under subsections (b) and (g), in the case of a member who dies while on active duty or in the case of a member or former member who dies after retirement or discharge and before he receives that payment, shall be made in accordance with section 2771 of title 10. In the case of a member who dies while on active duty, payment for unused accrued leave under subsections (b) and (g) shall be based upon the unused accrued leave the member carried forward into the leave year during which he died plus the unused leave that accrued to him during that leave year.

(2) The limitations in the second sentence of subsection (b)(3), subsection (f), and the second sentence of subsection (g) shall not apply with respect to a payment made under this subsection.

(e)(1) A member of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, or National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration who is discharged under other than honorable conditions forfeits all accrued leave to his credit at the time of his discharge.

(2) The Secretary concerned may require that a member of a uniformed service who is discharged before completing six months of active duty because of a failure to serve satisfactorily (as determined by the Secretary concerned) forfeit all accrued leave to his credit at the time of his discharge.